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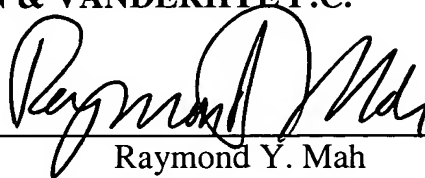
Currently, claims 1-12 are pending in this application. This Amendment cancels non-elected claims 13-25. Applicant respectfully requests examination of the present application.

If the Examiner has any questions or believes that an interview would further prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

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